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- 1. GOE DELEGATE TO THIRD WORLD COUNCIL MINISTERIAL WILL BE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE IBRAHIM MAHMOUND SHOUKRY (REFTEL A). NAMES OF OTHER DELEGATES WILL BE FORWARDED ASAP.
- 2. MINISTER SHOUKRY WAS BORN SEPTEMBER 22, 1906 AT SHERBIN, DAQAHLIYA PROVINCE. HE WAS GRADUATED IN 1939 FROM THE HIGHER AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL OF CAIRO UNIVERSITY WITH DEGREE IN AGRONOMY. AFTER YOUTHFUL CAREER AS NATIONALIST (ANTI-BRITISH) POLITICAL AGITATOR, HE FIRST ENTERED PARLIAMENT IN 1950, WHERE HE GAINED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NATIONAL PROMINENCE FOR COURAGEOUS ADVOCACY OF LAND REFORM DISTASTEFUL TO KING AND GOVERNMENT. FOLLOWING NASSER-LED REVOLUTION, MINISTER SHOUKRY IN 1963 WAS APPOINTED MANAGING DIRECTOR OF MISR COMPANY FO GINNING AND COTTON. IN 1964 HE WAS ELECTED MEMBER OF PEOPLES ASSEMBLY, AND IN 1966 BECAME CHAIRMAN OF AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE OF ASSEMBLY. HE IS ALSO PAST PRESIDENT OF AGRONOMISTS SYNDICATE. IN MAY 1974, HE WAS APPOINTED

GOVERNOR OF NEW VALLEY. IN MOST RECENT NATIONAL ELECTION, OCTOBER 1976, HE WAS ELECTED MEMBER OF PEOPLES ASSEMBLY, REPRESENTING CONSTITUENCY OF HIS BIRTHPLACE. PRESIDENT SADAT APPOINTED HIM MINAGR FEBRUARY 1, 1977.

3. MINSHOUKRY WAS MARRIED IN 1937 AND HAS EIGHT CHILDREN. HE IS ABOUT FIVE FEET SIX INCHES IN HEIGHT AND OF DIGNIFIED, GENTEEL APPEARANCE. HE SPEAKS AND UNDERSTANDS ENGLISH REASONABLY WELL BUT PERFERS TO USE AN INTERPRETER IN OFFICIAL SITUATIONS. EMBASSY HAS FOUND HIM TO BE FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE. EILTS UNQUOTE VANCE

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